

Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, for the duration of the conference.

The President announced his intention to designate John A. Gastright as U.S. Coordinator for Afghanistan and nominate him for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure as U.S. Coordinator for Afghanistan at the Department of State.

The President announced his intention to designate James H. Herring as Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

The President announced his intention to designate Raymond Simon as Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services at the Department of Education.

The President announced his intention to appoint Brock D. Bierman as the Small State and Rural Advocate at the Federal Emergency Management Agency at the Department of Homeland Security.

August 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President went to the J. Edgar Hoover FBI Building where he had lunch with his counterterrorism and homeland security teams. Later, he traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President declared an emergency in Vermont and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on July 9–11.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted July 31

Andrew R. Cochran, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, vice Nikki Rush Tinsley, resigned.

Robert L. Smolen, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, vice Thomas P. D'Agostino.

Submitted August 2 *

A. Paul Anderson, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2012 (reappointment).

Dennis W. Carlton, of Illinois, to be a member of the Council of Economic Advisers, vice Katherine Baicker, resigned.

Julie Fisher Cummings, of Michigan, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring September 14, 2011, vice William A. Schambra, term expired.

Cynthia Dyer, of Texas, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice, vice Diane M. Stuart, resigned.

John A. Gastright, of South Carolina, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Coordinator for Afghanistan, Department of State.

Mark D. Gearan, of New York, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring December 1, 2010 (reappointment).

Carl B. Kress, of California, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2011, vice Steven Robert Blust, resigned.

Tom Osborne, of Nebraska, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2012, vice Cynthia Boich, term expiring.

* These nominations were released by the Office of the Press Secretary on August 3.

Jeffrey William Runge,
of North Carolina, to be Assistant Secretary
for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer,
Department of Homeland Security (new po-
sition).

Alan D. Solomont,
of Massachusetts, to be a member of the
Board of Directors of the Corporation for
National and Community Service for a term
expiring October 6, 2009 (reappointment).

Margaret Spellings,
of Texas, to be designated a Representative
of the United States of America to the Thirty-
fourth Session of the General Conference of
the United Nations Educational, Scientific,
and Cultural Organization.

Donna N. Williams,
of Texas, to be a member of the Board of
Directors of the Corporation for National
and Community Service for a term expiring
October 6, 2009, vice Marc Racicot, term ex-
pired.

Submitted August 3

Stuart Ishimaru,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member
of the Equal Employment Opportunity Com-
mission for a term expiring July 1, 2012 (re-
appointment).

Withdrawn August 3

Richard E. Hoagland,
of the District of Columbia, a career member
of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Min-
ister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraor-
dinary and Plenipotentiary of the United
States of America to the Republic of Arme-
nia, which was sent to the Senate on January
9, 2007.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office
of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as
items nor covered by entries in the Digest of
Other White House Announcements.

Released July 30

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing
that the President signed S. 966

Released July 31

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing
that the President signed S. 1868

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster
assistance to the Federated States of Micro-
nesia

Released August 1

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing
that the President signed H.J. Res. 44

Released August 2

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary on the Sen-
ate vote on Judge Leslie Southwick

Released August 3

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy
Press Secretary Scott M. Stanzel

Transcript of a press briefing by Council of
Economic Advisers Chairman Edward P.
Lazear and Office of Management and Budg-
et Director Robert J. Portman on the na-
tional economy and Federal budget

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on
FISA modernization

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on
the Senate passage of intelligence legislation

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing
that the President signed H.R. 2429

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster
assistance to Vermont

Fact sheet: Job Creation Continues—More
Than 8.3 Million Jobs Created Since August
2003